

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 435

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING RAFFLES AND BAZAARS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE EMPLOYEE CAMPAIGN FOR CHARITABLE GIVING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 7-172 of the general statutes, as amended by
- 2 section 1 of public act 03-60, is repealed and the following is
- 3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):
- 4 No bazaar or raffle may be promoted, operated or conducted in any
- 5 municipality after the adoption of the provisions of sections 7-170 to 7-
- 6 186, inclusive, unless it is sponsored and conducted exclusively by (1)
- 7 an officially recognized organization or association of veterans of any
- 8 war in which the United States has been engaged, (2) a church or
- 9 religious organization, (3) a civic or service club, (4) a fraternal or
- 10 fraternal benefit society, (5) an educational or charitable organization,
- 11 (6) an officially recognized volunteer fire company, (7) a political party
- or town committee thereof, [or] (8) a municipality acting through a
- 13 committee designated to conduct a celebration of the municipality's
- 14 founding on its hundredth anniversary or any multiple thereof, or (9)
- 15 the State Employee Campaign Committee established pursuant to

16 section 5-262. Any such sponsoring organization, except a committee 17 designated pursuant to subdivision (8) of this section or the State 18 Employee Campaign Committee pursuant to subdivision (9) of this 19 section, shall have been organized in good faith and actively 20 functioning as a nonprofit organization within the municipality that is 21 to issue the permit for a period of not less than six months prior to its 22 application for a permit under the provisions of said sections. The 23 promotion and operation of a bazaar or raffle shall be confined solely 24 to the qualified members of the sponsoring organization, provided (A) 25 a committee designated pursuant to subdivision (8) of this section may 26 promote or operate through its members and any officially appointed 27 volunteers, and (B) the State Employee Campaign Committee pursuant 28 to subdivision (9) of this section may promote or operate through state 29 employees volunteering on the State Employee Campaign pursuant to 30 section 5-262. No [such] member or officially appointed volunteer in 31 the case of a raffle held pursuant to subdivision (8) of this section may 32 receive remuneration in any form for time or effort devoted to the 33 promotion or operation of the bazaar or raffle. No person under the 34 age of eighteen years may promote, conduct, operate or work at a 35 bazaar or raffle and no person under the age of sixteen years may sell 36 or promote the sale of any raffle tickets, nor shall any sponsoring 37 organization permit any person under the age of eighteen to so 38 promote, conduct or operate any bazaar or raffle or any person under 39 the age of sixteen to sell or promote the sale of such tickets. Any 40 sponsoring organization having received a permit from any 41 municipality may sell or promote the sale of such raffle tickets in that 42 municipality and in any other town, city or borough which has 43 adopted the provisions of sections 7-170 to 7-186, inclusive. Such 44 organization may accept a credit card, debit card, check or cash as 45 payment for a raffle ticket. All funds derived from any bazaar or raffle 46 shall be used exclusively for the purpose stated in the application of 47 the sponsoring organization as provided in section 7-173.

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## Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the State Employee Campaign Committee to sponsor and conduct raffles and bazaars to promote and enhance fund-raising for the State Employee Campaign for Charitable Giving.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]